

## CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

**Title of publication:** 04-001

**Other known title(s):** Not stated

**OFLC ref:** 1700388.007

**Medium:** Computer Image File

**Publisher:** Not stated

**Country of origin:** Not stated

**Language:** Not applicable

**Applicant:** Commissioner of Police

<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.
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**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 07 August 2017

**Date of direction to issue a label:** No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** 04 August 2017

### Summary of reasons for decision:

The image explicitly depicts three characters from 'The Simpsons' television show engaged in sexual activity. Unless restricted, the image will be injurious to the public good. Children and teenagers are unlikely to possess the life experience and education to interpret the satirical and absurd nature of the work. As such the image is likely to negatively affect their expectations and socialisation around sex. As such the image has been restricted to those who are aged 18 years or over. This decision interferes with the right to freedom of expression affirmed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, but is a reasonable limitation to that right in order to prevent injury to the public good.